BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Bakman Water Company (U 219 W) for Authority to: (1) Remove the Proceeds of Water Contamination Lawsuits From Contributions-In-Aid-of Construction, (2) Increase Rate Base, and (3) Recover Increased Revenue Requirements in Rates.

Application 02-07-025 (Filed July 9, 2002)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE RULING REQUESTING SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEFS

In its brief, the Bakman Water Company alleges a change in Water Division's position on certain issues. Also, although the Bakman Water Company addresses many financial issues, including alleging a bankruptcy risk from Water Division's proposal, the Water Division does not addressed Bakman Water Company's bankruptcy argument in either its opening or reply brief.

I therefore direct that the parties file supplemental briefs by May 23, 2003, limited to rebutting points raised in the reply briefs. I direct the Water Division to include a response to Bakman Water Company's allegations of a change of position. Additionally, although not technically a rebuttal to Bakman's reply brief, I also direct that the Water Division address Bakman's bankruptcy argument. This discussion should include, among other sub-issues the Water Division wishes to brief, how a bankruptcy of the company would affect the ratepayers' interests.

IT IS RULED that the parties shall file supplemental briefs by May 23, 2003 consistent with the direction set forth in this ruling. This case will

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be submitted upon the filing of this supplemental brief, unless otherwise ruled by the Assigned Administrative Law Judge or the Commission.

Dated May 8, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ JANET A. ECONOME

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Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge Ruling Requesting Supplemental Briefs on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated May 8, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ ELIZABETH LEWIS
Elizabeth Lewis

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